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- I, Chan Kin Man ("Leo Chan"), declare as follows:
- I am the Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary of Paradise Entertainment Limited ("Paradise") and in that capacity I am also one of the executives on Paradise management team responsible for the management of Paradise's subsidiaries, including LT Game Limited ("LTG Limited," a subsidiary of Paradise incorporated in the British Virgin Islands having its principal place of business in Macau) and LT Game, Inc. ("LT Game", a Las Vegas-based subsidiary of Paradise). I work closely with and report to Paradise's Chairman and Managing Director, Dr. Jay Chun ("Dr. Chun"). Based at Paradise's head office in Hong Kong, I have held this position since February 2017. I am duly authorized by Paradise to make this Declaration on its behalf. Unless otherwise stated, all facts stated herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, based on either my personal knowledge or information from my records which information I verily believe to be accurate.
- 2. Paradise and its subsidiaries (collectively, "Paradise Group") are engaged in, inter alia, the development, sale and leasing of electronic gaming equipment and systems, as well as the provision of casino management services. Paradise is a public company that is well-known in the gaming markets of Macau and overseas, with its shares listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited under stock code 1180 since January 20, 1997.
- 3. LTG Limited shares the same management team of Paradise, including Dr. Chun, myself and Defendant Yi "Betty" Zhao ("Ms. Zhao") (before her leaving from Paradise Group). References in this Declaration to LTG Limited should be understood to also include Paradise, which controls LTG Limited. The Paradise management team also oversees all Paradise subsidiaries including LT Game; however, a local management team, previously led by Defendant Linyi "Frank" Feng ("Mr. Feng"), along with Defendant Roy Kelcey Allison ("Mr. Allison") and Defendant Daryn Kiely ("Mr. Kiely"), has been established in Las Vegas to manage the day-to-day business affairs of LT Game. As discussed below, Ms. Zhao also worked with the other Defendants.
- 4. Dr. Chun informed me that the purpose of incorporating LT Game in or about February 2008 was to expand Paradise's business into the North American markets. To support this goal, Paradise arranged for Mr. Feng, Dr. Chun's brother-in-law, to manage LT Game, designating him as President, Secretary, Treasurer and sole Director of LT Game from February 19, 2008 to February 28, 2022.

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Concurrently, Paradise arranged for the incorporation of Defendant Empire Technological Group Limited ("Empire") in around September 2012, intended to serve as the long-term exclusive distributor for LT Game's products in North America, with Mr. Feng appointed as the President of Empire as well. Based on this understanding, LT Game and Empire were initially operated at the same location and utilized the same key local management and personnel. (Note that Empire's name was originally LT Game International Limited.) Paradise arranged with Mr. Feng to manage both companies, paying Empire's company expenses along with those of LT Game. After joining Paradise, I was personally involved in overviewing funding from Paradise Group to LT Game and Empire, interacting directly with Mr. Feng in this capacity. Mr. Feng sought approval from Paradise management team to engage in any major undertakings for both LT Game and Empire, and for the approval and funding their respective expenditures for the electronic gaming business of the Paradise Group.

5. Ms. Zhao is the cousin of Mr. Feng. Ms. Zhao joined Paradise Group in 2007 and was promoted to the Chief Operating Officer (COO) of the electronic gaming business of Paradise Group in 2012, and in that capacity, she was also one of the executives for managing Paradise's subsidiaries, including but not limited to LTG Limited and LT Game. As COO, Ms. Zhao was responsible for overseeing various departments and teams (including but not limited to research and development, and sales and marketing, etc.) of the electronic gaming business of Paradise and its subsidiaries, including LT Game in Las Vegas. Her main areas of responsibilities included overseeing game development, marketing and customer support of the Paradise Group. Although based in Macau and receiving salaries and remunerations there, Ms. Zhao worked remotely for LT Game in Las Vegas, reporting directly to Dr. Chun on business operation matters related to LT Game in Las Vegas. During her tenure at Paradise Group, she collaborated closely with Dr. Chun, myself and other executives of Paradise Group including the executives of the U.S. team, to align operational initiatives with overall business strategy. She regularly attended various management meetings to facilitate this alignment. Ms. Zhao was responsible for holding Monthly Product Meetings to provide updates on the development and launch of Paradise Group's gaming products and systems, including internal quality assurance testing and obtaining certification from independent testing laboratories. Executives from LT Game in Las Vegas, particularly Mr. Feng, Mr. Kiely, and other game development executives from various subsidiaries of Paradise, along with Dr. Chun

and myself, participated in these meetings. In addition to the Monthly Product Meetings, Ms. Zhao participated Monthly Sales and Marketing Meetings focused on LT Game's business in the North American markets. Alongside Dr. Chun and myself, the executives of LT Game, including Mr. Feng, Mr. Allison, and Mr. Kiely, actively participated in discussions during these meetings.

- 6. As COO of the electronic gaming business for Paradise Group, Ms. Zhao worked closely with Mr. Feng, Mr. Kiely and Mr. Allison from the then local management team at LT Game in Las Vegas, as well as with game development teams in other jurisdictions, to ensure that projects were delivered on time and met quality standards. For example, around June 2021, Ms. Zhao served as the primary contact for negotiating and liaising with a manufacturer in Taiwan regarding the production contract for the Mini Mite Standalone Cabinet ordered by LTG Limited. This cabinet was intended for supply to Empire and then to Royal Gaming Logistic, LLC in the Puerto Rican gaming market. Throughout this transaction, Ms. Zhao collaborated closely with the then local management team of LT Game in Las Vegas, including Defendants Mr. Feng, Mr. Kiely, and Mr. Allison.
- 7. On February 10, 2022, I received an email from Mr. Feng addressed to Dr. Chun, in which he announced his intention to resign at the end of the month. In the email, Mr. Feng reassured Dr. Chun, stating that as his brother-in-law, it was his responsibility and duty to continue as a licensee and guardian. He stated that he was also committed to reporting any opportunities for profit for Paradise in future, if any.
- 8. With Mr. Feng's departure, Dr. Chun, believing in Ms. Zhao's trustworthiness and her familiarity with the electronic gaming business in the U.S. as COO, assigned her the role of sole Director of LT Game effective on March 1, 2022. Additionally, effective on the same date, Mr. Kiely, who previously served as LT Game's Chief Technology Officer, reported to Ms. Zhao, was elevated to the title of President of LT Game. In one of her first acts as the Director of LT Game, Ms. Zhao signed the documentation formalizing the said Mr. Kiely's promotion. Attached as **Exhibit A** are copies of the corporate records memorializing these changes effective as of March 1, 2022. Ms. Zhao held the position of sole Director of LT Game until October 20, 2023.
- 9. Ms. Zhao earned the trust of Dr. Chun and me because of her long relationship with Paradise Group. In her role as the sole Director of LT Game, Ms. Zhao continued to work closely with

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Mr. Kiely and Mr. Allison from the local management team of LT Game in Las Vegas. In or about March 2023, Dr. Chun assigned Ms. Zhao to visit the LT Game's office and warehouse in Las Vegas to manage the transition following the announced departure of Mr. Kiely from LT Game (Mr. Kiely's last working date with LT Game was March 31, 2023) and to make necessary recommendations to Dr Chun and me.

- 10. It was not until around August 2023 that Paradise began to grasp the actions of Mr. Feng and the other Defendants. At that time, there were media reporting that Mr. Feng was using Empire (doing business as "Play Synergy", a name that Dr. Chun and myself had not heard nor were advised before) to purchase assets from the bankruptcy of Aruze Gaming America, Inc., a competitor in the electronic gaming equipment business. Since Empire was intended to be and was operated as the long-term exclusive distributor for Paradise Group, Paradise provided Empire with financial resources and other supports and paid for Empire's business expenses. Having relied on the trust and her special fiduciary relation being a cousin of Mr. Feng and Dr. Chun's wife, Dr. Chun requested Ms. Zhao to approach Mr. Feng for exploring any amicable possibility for resolving the matters in September 2023. The attempt did not produce any results.
- 11. On September 19, 2023, I received an email from Ms. Zhao addressed to Dr. Chun, in which she announced her intention to resign in the month of October 2023, and her last working date was October 20, 2023. Dr. Chun further informed me that his wife had explicitly asked Ms. Zhao in November 2023 whether she would be working for Mr. Feng or Empire after separation with Paradise Group, to which Ms. Zhao denied any such intention. On November 23, 2023, media reports revealed that Ms. Zhao had been appointed as the Senior Vice President of International Operations at Aruze Gaming Global (a trade name under Empire), and Mr. Allison was serving the global Chief Operating Officer at Aruze Gaming Global. Since then, we have learned that Mr. Feng and other Defendants have been covertly developing Empire for years to supplant LT Game and compete with Paradise in the marketplace, as alleged in our Complaint.
- 12. We had previously not understood or anticipated Ms. Zhao's close involvement with Defendants' fraudulent activities. However, coincidentally in the same month of October 2023 and following Ms. Zhao's departure from Paradise Group, Mr. Feng and Empire initiated a legal action against Paradise and LT Game in Nevada State Court, seeking a declaratory order. On December 7, 2023, Ms.

Zhao was appointed as the representative of Empire Technological Group Limited- Macau Branch. Empire has obtained a gaming equipment manufacturer license from the Gaming Inspection and Coordination Bureau of Macau since May 2024. It became evident that upon Ms. Zhao's joining Empire as Senior Vice President, she was poised to manage Empire's expansion into Macau to compete directly with Paradise there.

13. We only more recently learned through the production of documents in this litigation the true extent of Ms. Zhao's participation in Defendants' fraud even during her employment with Paradise. We now perceive that she was covertly acting as part of the management team of Empire and using her position of confidence with Dr. Chun and me to actively misdirect us to conceal the fraud that was being perpetrated.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America and the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signed in Hong Kong on May 26, 2025.

Chan Kin Man ("Leo Chan")